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No case can more clearly prove the impropriety of hasty legislation. Little did Congress suppose, under this bill to examine and adjust this antiquated claim, they were paying out of the treasury a quarter of a million of dollars. At the close of the last administration, Mr. Walker, the Secretary of the Treasury, placed this claim in the hands of his accounting officers, who allowed the principal amount

DR. WEBSTER.—It is now said that Dr. Webster and his family entertain strong hopes of a full pardon from the Governor of Massachusetts. A gentleman, who had visited the condemned man recently, observed to the editor of the Boston Mail, that he never saw so cheerful and pleasant a man in his life considering the terrible nature of his position.

It is stated that the Oregon bill now before the House of Representatives, in Congress, grants a full section of land to a single man, and a full section to a married man. There is strong hope of the passage of the bill.

✪The Franklin (Johnson county) Examiner the 1st inst. says, "the junction of the Martinsville and Franklin railroad with the Madison and Indianapolis road we understand is at last decided to be this place."

RAILWAY TO RICHMOND, IA.—The Richmond Palladium states that the work on their long expected railroad will be commenced in a short time. The terminus of the line is to be nearly complete. From the Dayton station to Paris is under contract DeGraff & Co., efficient and energetic contractor will push forward the work. The directors of the Lehigha board have resolved to meet the Dayton Directors at Paris, and efforts are making to raise the money going on with the construction without delay.

The nett profits of the Ladies' Fair held in the new Masonic Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evening we understand to be \$275.

JENKS, of the Lafayette Courier, gives the Indiana State Journal credit for paying the following compliment to the members of Congress from this State:

DELEGATION IN CONGRESS.—Indiana never had many great men in Congress as at the present time. They have not only immortalized themselves, but have conferred eternal renown on the State they represent.

p- that he is opposed to all such petty caucuses. Where
is Barnum?—*Salem Dem.*